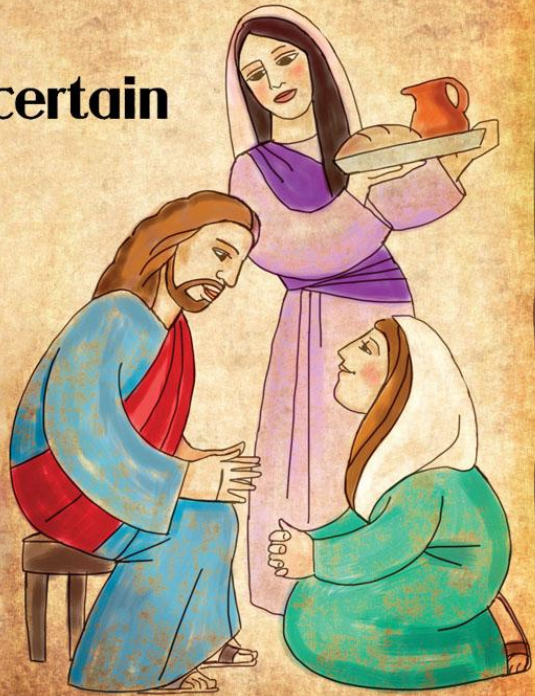


CROSSROADS

Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey

**... he entered a certain
village, where a
woman named
Martha
welcomed him
into her home.**

Luke 10:38, NRSV



July 20, 2025
6th Sunday after Pentecost



CROSSROADS PARISH



**Proud to be a Reconciling
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Three Churches, One Big Community In Faith. All Are Welcome



**ATONEMENT
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
New Brighton, MN



**CROSS OF GLORY
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
Mounds View, MN



**IGLESIA LUTERANA
CRISTO REY**
Crossroads Parish

Atonement Lutheran Church

1980 Silver Lake Road NW
New Brighton, MN 55112
651-633-2240
AtonementNB.org
Worship at 10:45am

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

5472 Adams Street
Mounds View, MN 55112
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CrossofGloryMV.org
Worship at 8:30am

Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey

Pastora Ana Becerra
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Servicio en Español al mediodía

THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Cassie Nault (on sabbatical)

Pastora Ana Becerra

Ivan Konev – Cross of Glory Accompanist

Matt Verkuilen/ Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual

Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School

Maani Grace – Crossroads Music Coordinator

Deacon Brad Mills

Dawn Saros-Kirk – Office Administrator

Debora Holmes – Atonement Accompanist

Tony Houfek/Alice Sponholz – Audio/Visual

Dani Gow – Youth Group

| | 9:30 at Atonement |
|-------------------------|--|
| WORSHIP ASSISTANT | Steve Klaers |
| LECTOR | Scott Carlson |
| USHER/ACOLYTE | Lindsey Fabian |
| GREETER | Nancy Jahnke |
| BREAD BAKER | No Communion |
| COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP | No Communion |
| COMMUNION SERVERS | No Communion |
| COUNTERS | COG: Patsy Thorsbakken, Bob Reed ALC: Tony Houfek, Sally Kline |

We acknowledge that we gather as Atonement and Cross of Glory Lutheran Churches on the traditional land of the Wahpekute, a band of the Dakota and one of the seven groups of Oceti Sakowin, translated as “the Seven Councils Fire”, also referred to as the Great Sioux Nation as well as Anishinaabe people and other indigenous nations who have called this land home. We further acknowledge that both the State of Minnesota and the United States Government carried out genocide, ethnic cleansing, forced removal and broken promises against indigenous people as a way to acquire land. This calls us to commit to learning how to be better stewards of the land and to support indigenous communities.

ORDER OF SERVICE

TRINITY CHIMES

The singing bowl rings out 3 times to remind us we are gathered in the name of the Triune God.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Cassie is away on her sabbatical and we continue to keep her in our prayers. A reminder that while she is gone, we can reach out to Pastor Ana Becerra, Deacon Brad, or contact the church office with any questions.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection.

Merciful God,

**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.**

**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**

**You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,**

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds,

and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✝ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" vv. 1-4

ELW 834

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

All: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:1-10a

¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” ^{10a}Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15 (Please read responsively)

¹LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

²**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

³they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD.
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation,¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from

the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Thy Word" – Grant, Smith

Chorus Only

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:38-42

The Holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Deacon Brad Mills

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Give Me Jesus" vv. 1-5

ELW 770

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

L: And now we confess our faith together in the words of the "Apostles' Creed".

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Response after each petition.)

L: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us now pray the Lord's Prayer in whatever language is most familiar.

All: Our Father...

SHARING OF PEACE

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

L: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

Offertory Music: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" vv. 1, 3, 5

ELW 883

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God.



| <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> | |
|----------------------|--|
| Today | 9:30 – Worship at Atonement 3pm – FCC at Atonement |
| Monday | 8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement |
| Tuesday | 5:30 – 7pm - Jumbo Sale Collection 6pm – Zumba at Atonement |
| Wednesday | 6:30 – Bike to DQ from Cross of Glory/Meet at DQ at 7pm |
| Thursday | 1pm – Game Day at Atonement 4:30 - Bible Junk Book Journaling at Cross of Glory |
| Friday | 5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory |
| Saturday | 9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement 9am - New Birth at Cross of Glory |
| Sunday | 9:30 – Worship at Atonement 9am – 1pm – CSC Walk at Silver View Park – Mounds View 10am – FCC at Atonement - LL <u>Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement</u> |

ANNIVERSARY CAKE FOR FELLOWSHIP – Dave & Bev Knapp recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Dave & Bev! They kindly brought cake to share with everyone during fellowship. Please stop in the fellowship hall for a piece of cake and wish them happy anniversary.

CSC WALK IS NEXT SUNDAY – The Walk a Mile for Your Neighbor fundraiser for the Community Support Center is July 27 from 9am – 1pm at Silver View Park in Mounds View. Walking is FREE! There is a short route of about .2 miles and a longer route around the lake that's one mile. For every mile walked, \$10 moves from a pool of donated funds to be listed as a contribution from our churches. If you make a contribution to the Community Support Center, you will be entered for a chance to win one of three \$100 Visa gift cards. Walk with your family, dog, friends or neighbors and enjoy a walk around the pond.

LET'S ALL GO TO THE DAIRY QUEEN! Helena Mills has planned an outing to the Dairy Queen on Silver Lake Rd, by Atonement, on Wednesday, July 23. If you would like to ride your bike from Cross of Glory to the

DQ, meet at Cross of Glory at 6:30pm. Otherwise, meet us at the DQ at 7pm. Bring a few bucks to purchase a DQ treat. Questions: contact Helena523@gmail.com

FAITH AND A PINT – This Friday, July 25 at 6:30pm, join Deacon Brad and others at Torg Brewery in Spring Lake Park for some good conversation and laughs. Kids welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our Sunday School program needs your help on the following dates: **September 21, September 28, October 19, November 9, November 16 and December 7.** If you can help, please contact Marilyn Goldsworthy, Deacon Brad, or Dawn Saros-Kirk.

JUMBO SALE COLLECTION – The last collection day is this **Tuesday, July 22 from 5:30 – 7pm.** Mark your calendars for the dates of the Jumbo Sale: August 7, 9am – 7pm ; August 8, 9am – 5pm; August 9, 9am – Noon (Bag Sale!).

FOUND – A gift card was found in the sanctuary at Cross of Glory. If it's yours, contact the church office with the type and amount of the gift card.

SUMMER WATER BLESSINGS – Don't forget to pick up a vial(s) to fill with water from your adventures this summer. The vials are in a basket in each narthex.

JOIN CAMP WAPO AT A TWINS GAME - Join us at Target Field for some major league camp fun. We've reserved seats in section V for all our camp friends. **Your ticket includes unlimited food and non-alcoholic beverages and a special camp at the ballpark t-shirt!** Tickets are \$64 each and kids under 30" are free. The Target Field game day experience is fun for the whole family. We hope you can join us for this fun event to connect with others who love camp and enjoy a great day at the ballpark cheering on the Twins. Section V is near Town Ball Tavern, Gray Duck Deck, and Surf Side if you wish to purchase alcoholic drinks. **Reserve your tickets by July 24 to guarantee yourself a t-shirt.** Tickets will be available up until game day and will be delivered to you digitally closer to the event day via email. Order tickets here: <https://lakewapo.org/event/camp-night-at-target-field/>

ABIDING SAVIOR VBS - You're invited to Abiding Savior's Community Vacation Bible School July 28 - August 1 from 9AM - noon. Children ages 3 (potty-trained) through those entering 5th grade this fall are eligible to register for a morning of music, stories, games, crafts, friends and fun! This is a FREE program for all. Also, kids 6th grade & up can volunteer to help too! Register at abidingsavior.org.

From Scratch: One Table - You are invited to Shobi's Table annual fundraiser! Come and gather to support our pay-as-you-can food truck, one of the Synod's mission development sites. Together we will celebrate how the Shobi's Table community invites everyone around one table to experience God's Love. Thursday, September 25th, Social Hour begins at 4:30pm & dinner served at 5:30pm at Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church, 1669 Arcade Ave, St. Paul. RSVP at shobistable.org/give/scratch/